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08-419 Office of State Police

Agency Description

The mission of the Office of State Police is to ensure the safety and security of the people in the state through enforcement, education, and provision of other essential public safety services.

The goals of the Office of the State Police are:

- 1. Promote public safety on the roads and highways and in our communities.
- 2. Achieve greater public participation in promoting and achieving public safety.
- 3. Strive to adequately staff, equip and fund its operation to achieve an effective public safety organization..
- 4. Expand communications with the public, other law enforcement agencies, the legislature and other governments.
- 5. Improve and strengthen the effectiveness of the management through planning, forecasting, training, coordinating and being accountable.
- 6. Set the standard against which other law enforcement agencies will be judged.

The Office of State Police is a statutorily mandated, statewide law enforcement agency originally instituted to enforce the laws of Louisiana relating to motor vehicles and their operation on the streets and highways of the state. However, over the years, this responsibility has been expanded to include all criminal activities occurring within the state, with emphasis on driving while intoxicated (DWI) arrests, speeding arrests, narcotics and organized crime. This agency also includes the statewide collection and coordination of criminal records, evidence, intelligence and, in general, it acts as the state's main crime-fighting arm. More recent acts have included regulatory authority in the areas of hazardous materials regulation, motor carrier safety, the towing industry, and gaming activities connected to video draw poker, riverboat gambling, land-based casino gaming, and Indian gaming.

The Office of State Police has four programs: Traffic Enforcement, Criminal Investigation, Operational Support and Gaming Enforcement.

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AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:		-				
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct) STATE GENERAL FUND BY:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,791,963	\$1,935,912	\$1,935,912
Interagency Transfers	3,048,459	3,244,309	3,244,309	3,262,918	6,161,619	2,917,310
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	17,211,903	20,216,398	20,531,946	15,389,969	22,166,031	1,634,085
Statutory Dedications	99,924,886	101,923,768	101,819,114	101,174,188	101,186,608	(632,506)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	3,093,299	3,047,191	5,058,740	5,449,696	5,438,621	379,881
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$123,278,547	\$128,431,666	\$130,654,109	\$141,068,734	\$136,888,791	\$6,234,682
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Traffic Enforcement Program	\$48,874,783	\$51,661,123	\$53,096,549	\$56,242,336	\$56,060,748	\$2,964,199
Criminal Investigations	11,053,180	11,631,701	11,266,120	11,793,175	11,802,890	536,770
Operational Support Program	44,747,201	43,889,537	44,936,800	51,227,399	47,182,328	2,245,528
Gaming Enforcement Program	14,980,795	17,611,423	17,716,758	17,919,785	17,812,510	95,752
Auxiliary Account	3,622,588	3,637,882	3,637,882	3,886,039	4,030,315	392,433
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$123,278,547	\$128,431,666	\$130,654,109	\$141,068,734	\$136,888,791	\$6,234,682
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	1,557	1,574	1,562	1,630	1,617	55
Unclassified	10	2	12	12	12	0
TOTAL	1,567	1,576	1,574	1,642	1,629	55